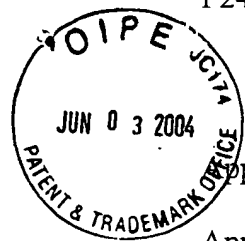


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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were filed on January 14, 2004, March 15, 2004 and April 16, 2004, Applicant hereby calls the following document to the attention of the Examiner:

A copy of a Canadian Office Action mailed in related Canadian Patent Application No. 2,396,963 on March 12, 2004 is enclosed, in which the following documents were cited:

European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 831 624, which was published on March 25, 1998; and

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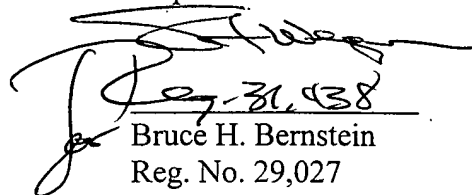
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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the documents. The two European patent documents are attached hereto and are listed on a PTO-1449 Form, which is also attached hereto. The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of this statement.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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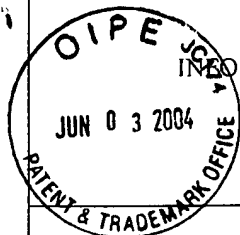
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